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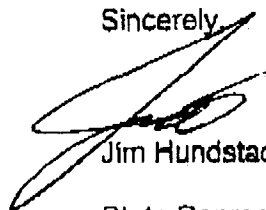
Dear Ms. Hesse:

The best interests of the future of information technologies are found in the settlement agreement between the Microsoft Corporation and the U.S. Department of Justice. The antitrust case, to a large extent, plowed new ground in the development of regulating a company like Microsoft, which has moved very quickly in the development of its software systems. I have been told the settlement answers the issues that prevailed in the court process.

As a state legislator, I am particularly interested in the benefit to schools with high percentages of low-income children and families. South Dakota has a number of school districts that would be eligible for the supply of hardware, software and support in this offering. I think it is a fair method of resolving a case like this, and it will matter quite a lot to the future of the children included in these school districts.

I appreciate your attention to my statements.

Sincerely,



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